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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Examiner : Michael C. Wilson  
Group : 1633  
Applicants : Michael Wassenegger et al.  
Application No. : 09/782,874 Confirmation No.: 6565  
Filed : February 8, 2001  
For : NUCLEIC ACID MOLECULES ENCODING POLYPEPTIDES  
HAVING THE ENZYMATIC ACTIVITY OF AN RNA-  
DIRECTED RNA POLYMERASE (RdRP)

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Honorable Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 2327  
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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Sir:

This is in response to the January 25, 2002 Restriction Requirement in the  
above-identified application. Applicants submit concurrently herewith a Petition Under 37  
C.F.R. § 1.136(a) and the fee required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a)(2) to extend the time for  
replying to the Office Action for a period of two months, up to and including April 25, 2002.

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